



The Faith Community of

# ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

CATHOLIC CHURCH



## 33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." - Lk 21:13-15

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### OUR PARISH MISSION

*We are a welcoming Christian family committed to Catholic values, responding to the call of Christ revealed in the diversity of human need. We practice a conscious, living, active faith in a community whose source of strength is the Eucharist.*

### **Miraculous Prayer to the Little Flower**

*O Little flower of Jesus, ever consoling troubled souls with heavenly graces, in our unflinching intercessions I place my confident trust. From the heart of our Divine Savior, petition the blessings of which I stand in greatest need.....Shower upon me your promised roses of virtue and grace, Dear St. Therese, so that swiftly advancing in sanctity and perfect love of neighbor, I may someday receive the crown of life eternal.  
Amen*

November 16, 2025 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## The incredible story of the ex-satanist St. Bartolo Longo canonized by Pope Leo XIV

*St. Bartolo Longo committed himself to spreading devotion to the Rosary after he was afflicted with despair over his past as a satanist. He went on to create a confraternity of the Rosary and helped convert the city of Pompeii.*



Emily Mangiaracina ([LifeSiteNews](#), Oct. 22, 2025) — The ex-satanist St. Bartolo Longo was canonized by Pope Leo XIV on Sunday, Oct. 19. Longo is a particularly fitting saint for our times, when witchcraft and interest in the occult is surging, as it was when Longo was a young man in Italy in the 1860s. Born into a devout Catholic family, Longo was influenced by the anti-Catholic milieu of the University of Naples, where he studied law.

The movement to unify Italian states at the time was shaped by anti-Catholic Freemasons who were passionately anti-clerical and wished to abolish the papacy, such as General Giuseppe Garibaldi and Giuseppe Mazzini. Longo's professors were likewise anti-Catholic and passed on their secular ideology to students at the University of Naples, including Longo. Occultism and spiritualism were also growing in popularity. Many students demonstrated against the pope, consulted mediums, dabbled in witchcraft. Bartolo went further: he became a satanic "priest." He told how during his "ordination" ceremony, he gave his soul to a "spirit," a demon, which manifested in "blasphemous shrieks" and shook the walls.

Bartolo dedicated himself to the satanic cause, publicly belittling the Catholic faith and even convincing others to leave the Catholic Church to join the occult. But his new life came with torments. He suffered from depression, paranoia, and anxiety and showed signs of diabolical obsession, including demonic visions. Bartolo eventually suffered a mental breakdown. At rock bottom, he heard the voice of his deceased father urging him to "Return to God! Return to God!"

Longo sought help from a professor friend, who convinced him to renounce satanism and introduced him to a Dominican priest, Father Alberto Radente, who heard his confession. Longo became a Third Order Dominican in 1871, as part of reparation for his past sins. He attended a seance where he stood and raised a medal of the Blessed Mother and declared, "I renounce spiritism because it is nothing but a maze of error and falsehood."

As I pondered over my condition, I experienced a deep sense of despair and almost committed suicide. Then I heard an echo in my ear of the voice of Friar Alberto repeating the words of the Blessed Virgin Mary: "If you seek salvation, promulgate the Rosary. This is Mary's own promise." These words illumined my soul. I went on my knees. "If it is true ... I will not leave this valley until I have propagated your Rosary," he promised the Blessed Virgin.

With the help of Countess Mariana di Fusco, Longo created a confraternity of the Rosary and restored a rundown church in Pompeii, to help nourish the starving souls there. He sponsored a festival in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary and acquired a painting of Our Lady of the Rosary he had renovated and placed in the church, and "within hours" of its installation began many miracles attributed to prayer before the painting.

In one such miracle, a young girl from Naples, Fortuna Agrelli, was cured from a painful, incurable disease not understood by her doctors. After beginning a novena of Rosaries for her cure, Our Lady appeared to the girl as Our Lady of Pompeii, sitting on a throne, with the Child Jesus on Her lap and holding a rosary. Fortuna asked Her as "Queen of the Rosary" to be healed, and the Blessed Mother told her to make three novenas of the Rosary to obtain all she asked for. The girl did, and was cured. Mary afterward appeared to her saying; "Whosoever desires to obtain favors from Me should make three novenas of the prayers of the Rosary in petition and three novenas in thanksgiving."

Bartolo devoted himself to evangelization and catechesis, writing many books and pamphlets and giving conferences on Christ and the Blessed Mother. He also founded charitable institutions in Pompeii, including an orphanage, trade school, and congregation of sisters. He went on to construct a larger church in 1876, which in 1939 was expanded to a basilica and is known now as the Shrine of the Virgin of the Rosary of Pompeii. Annually on the feast of Our Lady of Pompeii, Italians still flock to the shrine.

Bartolo sparked a widespread devotion to the Rosary that spread throughout Italy and beyond and helped snuff out occult practice in the Naples region. On his deathbed, he prayed the Rosary with orphans he had helped educate. His last words were, "My only desire is to see Mary, who has saved me and who will save me from the clutches of Satan."

Longo's cause for canonization was opened in 1947, and in 1980, he was beatified by Pope John Paul II, who called him the "Apostle of the Rosary." The ordinary session of the cardinals and bishops of the Dicastery for the Causes of Saints voted for Longo to be canonized, and the vote was approved by Pope Francis in February of 2025.



Tomb of St. Bartolo Longo

### Catholic Replies

by James J. Drumme (www.wandererpress.com, Oct. 30, 2025)

**Q. Blase J. Cardinal Cupich drew considerable criticism for wanting to honor pro- abortion Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois. He defended his decision by saying that Sen. Durbin was good on other issues, such as immigration. I know Durbin subsequently declined to accept the award, but what about putting immigration on a par with abortion? A.** In a letter sent to the U. S. bishops in June 2004, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger of the Vatican's Sacred Congregation (now Dicastery) for the Doctrine of the Faith said that "not all moral issues have the same moral weight as abortion and euthanasia. For example, if a Catholic were to be at odds with the Holy Father on the application of capital punishment or on the decision to wage war, he would not for that reason be considered unworthy to present himself to receive Holy Communion."

"While the Church exhorts civil authorities to seek peace, not war, and to exercise discretion and mercy in imposing punishment on criminals," Ratzinger continued, "it may still be permissible to take up arms to repel an aggressor or to have recourse to capital punishment. There may be a legitimate diversity of opinion, even among Catholics, about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not however with regard to abortion and euthanasia."

[Regarding the enforcement laws regarding immigration, the morality of which the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* acknowledges (see CCC no. 2241): the arrest and deportation of illegal immigrants would not be comparable to the brutal murder of preborn babies in the womb.]

**Sign up for FORMED!** A program which gives our parishioners free access to many Catholic programs and movies. To sign up: 1) visit *Formed.Org* 2) Click Sign up 3) Select a parish 4) Find your parish by name and address 5) Enter your email. Then, **you're in!**

### "WE NEED COMMITTED VOLUNTEERS!"

St. Therese Parish serves the evening meal once a month (the fourth Monday of each month, 4:00pm – 6:15pm) at the Shalom Center. Our ranks are dwindling, and we need at least four volunteers who can commit to this once-a-month parish outreach activity. No cooking involved simply serving the evening meal provided by the Shalom Center. If you are interested in joining us, or have any questions, please reach out to me via text message or leave a voicemail and I will return your call. Thank you for your consideration to join this ministry. Tricia Roach, cell 262-960-5813.

### Parish Support

Weekend of November 2, 2025 \$4,240.00  
Budgeted weekly need...\$5,567.00  
Over/Under budget (\$1,327.00)

### Your gift to the Catholic Stewardship Appeal—

whether large or small—makes a difference. Every gift is welcome and needed to help out Church continue God's work in our communities. To donate, visit [www.catholicappeal.org](http://www.catholicappeal.org), text APPEAL2025 to 414-348-8330, or mail your check to Catholic Stewardship Appeal, 3501 S. Lake Drive, St. Francis, WI 53235

**Holy Name Society** will be having a **pancake and porky breakfast on Sunday, November 16 in the hall from 9-10:30 am**. Donations will be accepted.

**Holy Name Society** will be having a **meeting on Sunday, November 30 in the hall after the 8:30 am Mass**. All men of the parish are invited.

### Sign Up for FLOCKNOTE!

**What is Flocknote?** Flocknote is a means by which Fr. Campbell can send information by both text and email to all parishioners who are signed up. Signing up is EASY! **To sign up: Type out the word LOOP (in all CAPS) as a text message & send to 84576**. Then you'll be in our parish "loop" and will receive texts, news & emails from Fr. Campbell.



### You're Invited!

The All Saints Catholic Middle School students invite you to their production of *Disney's Dare to Dream, Jr.* Please join us for an evening of spectacular entertainment for ALL ages.

**When:** November 20th, 21st & 22nd at 6:30pm

**Where:** St. Elizabeth's Gymnasium: 714 - 49<sup>th</sup> Street, Kenosha

**Cost:** \$5 per ticket and can be purchased at the door  
**Allsaintskenosha.org Faith. Values. Rigor.**



**Zachary King, former Satanic High Wizard who converted to Catholicism, will give 4 talks at St. Therese Church (2020 91<sup>st</sup> St., Kenosha) Mon.-Wed., Nov. 24-26.**  
**Mon. Nov. 24, 7pm:** His Personal Story, Involvement with Satanism & Journey to Catholicism. **Tues. Nov.**

**25, 4pm:** Lifting the Veil on Those with Power & Influence: Bohemian Grove. **Tues. Nov. 25, 7pm:** Avoiding the Temptations of the Occult. **Wed. Nov. 26, 3pm:** How Rock Stars Became Rock Stars. All are invited.

**MASS INTENTIONS for the Week**

**Monday, November 17**

8:00 AM † John & Florence Rozborski & Family

**Tuesday, November 18**

8:00 AM † Mike Zimmer

**Wednesday, November 19**

5:45 PM † John Nagode (Family)

**Thursday, November 20**

No Mass

**Friday, November 21**

8:00 AM † Living & Deceased of Dorau Family (Family)

**Saturday, November 22**

4:00 PM † John Stancato (Family)

**Sunday, November 23: Feast of Christ the King**

8:30 AM † Jesus Gallizo

10:30 AM † For Members of the Parish

**Saints & Readings:**

**Week of November 16, 2025**

Sunday: 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Monday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious, 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin, 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr, 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday through Thursday 7:15 am to 2:30 pm**  
**Closed Friday**

Please submit bulletin announcements in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail to office@st-therese-kenosha.org by 9:00 AM Thursday of the week before publication.

**PRIVACY LAWS:** Please notify the Parish Office if you or a family member is in the hospital, nursing home, hospice, etc. With the new privacy laws, medical institutions will not call unless you ask them to notify the Parish. If you would like a home visit, please call the Parish Office or Homebound Ministry.

**Parish Directory**

Weekend Masses	Saturday Evening	4:00 PM
	Sunday Morning	8:30 & 10:30 AM
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday & Friday	8:00 AM
	Wednesday	5:45 PM
	No 8:00 AM Mass on Thursday or Saturday	

Holy Day Masses	Please consult Sunday bulletin.	
Confessions	Saturday	3:00 to 4:00 PM
	Sunday	
First Fridays	Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 AM Friday to 6:00 AM Saturday	

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions (Follow the Wednesday 5:45 PM Mass)

Parish Telephones	Parish Office	262-694-4695
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Kris Granahan	Youth Group 6-12	262-331-4457
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St. Therese supports two Catholic Schools:  
All Saints Catholic School 262-925-4000  
St. Joseph Catholic Academy 262-654-8651

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**Parish Staff**

Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Dwight P. Campbell, S.T.D.
Shared Associate Pastor.....	Rev. Fr. Robert T. McDermott
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Liturgical Musician.....	Jan Sleyster
Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor.....	Mary E. Vestal

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Jeanne Hlavacek, Trustee Treasurer	Tom Haskins
Steven Plato, Chairman	Barb Brooker
Claudia Volpentesta, Trustee Secretary	J. R. Roberts
Nancy January, Secretary	Alex Zenzola

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** Adults or children interested in baptism, reception into the Catholic Church, Confirmation and/or First Communion, please contact the Parish Office.

**Baptism** Please call the Parish Office to arrange for Baptism. Those who wish to have a child baptized must be attending Sunday Mass regularly for at least four months.

**Marriage** Please call the Pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements. Couples who are sharing the same abode will be asked to live separately prior to their marriage.

**Home Visitation** Anyone unable to attend Mass because of sickness/old age, contact the Parish Office.

**Estate Planning** Please keep St. Therese in mind when planning your estate. This is a wonderful gift that will last many years.